Failure of Two Indian Boxers to Return to India from the World Defence Forces Boxing Championship

1116. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that two promi nent Indian boxers have not returned to India after World Defence Forces Boxing Championship;

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take against the boxers; and

(c) whether there are any other instan ces when the sport participants have opted to desert and what action Govern ment have taken. against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SUSHREE UMA BHARATI): (a) and (b) As informed by Ministry of Defence, a 17-member Services Boxing team had participated in the XLIII World Boxing Championship organised by the Council of International Military Sports (CISM) at Lackland, Air-force Base, San Antonio, USA from December 5—15, 1997. On its return journey, two services boxers of the Indian team viz. Naib Subedar Lakha Singh and Naib Subedar Devendra Thapa disappeared from the Chicago International Airport. These two JCOs have been declared as "deserters" as per the Defence Services Regulations. The JCOs will be liable to action under the provisions of the Army Act.

(c) Yes Sir. Two such other cases, as indicated below, have been noticed by the Government.

(i) Six Powerlifters of the team, which was cleared for participation in the Junior/Master Powerlifting Championship, 1992 at Sydney (Australia), were found missing from the hotel. On receiving this information from Indian High Commission, Canberra, this Deptt. referred the matter to Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) to probe into the possibility of connivance of the Federation and the parents of the concerned sportspcrsons. After investigation, CBI furnished its report stating that in the absence of material facts, the case docs not merit further investigation. However, inquiries through INTERPOL had revealed that all the six powerlifters had applied to Australian authorities for permanent residence. In view of this, CBI opened that these Indians stayed in Australia voluntarily and since Australian Govt, has formally declined to pass on any information with regard to the missing powerlifters to our High Commission because of their Privacy Law, it would be futile to pursue the matter further. Accordingly, the matter was closed.

(ii) Two players of the indian Basketball team, cleared for visit to USA under Indo-US-Sub-Commission on Education & Culture during Oct-Nov., 1992, were found missing and the team returned without these players. As both these players belong to Central Para Military Forces, the matter was referred to Ministry of Home Affairs for appropriate action.

Fee Hike by Public Schools

1117. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state,

(a) whether his Ministry has studied the recent judgement of Supreme Court about the extent to which fees can be hiked in public schools;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) whether his Ministry are aware of increase in fee hike from 30 to 150 per cent since April 1, 1997 much to the financial burden on salaried class and whether Government have conducted any inquiry; and

(d) whethei Government are considering to take over the management of those public schools which were found to be involved in misappropriation of lakhs of rupees and tampering with records?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT DR. MUR-LI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (d) The Government of N.C.T. of Delhi have informed that no such petition is adjudicated before the Hon'ble Supreme Court. However, there arc petitions before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in this regard. The Court while adjudicating the petitions filed by the Parents' Association—Abhibhavak Mahasangh; other Parents' bodies and the Action Committee of recognised unaided schools gave its interim order dated 11.12.1997 and permitted the unaided schools to enhance the fee which they were charging on 31.3.1997 by a maximum of 40% with effect from 1.4.1997 till the disposal of writ petitions.

On receipt of complaints from Parents, Parents-Teachers Associations and reports in the Press, a Spcical Inspection of 16 schools was conducted as per the provisions of Delhi School Education Act, 1973. Inspection Reports revealed that additional funds collected by these schools have been utilised in violation of provisions of Delhi School Education Act and Rules. To regulate the collection of fees and funds by the management, Director of Education issued directions to all unaided recognised schools and the same has been stayed by the Court vide its interim order dated 11.12.1997.

Abhibhavak Mahasangh have filed another petition before the High Court of Delhi against schools charging fees beyond the limit prescribed by the Court vide its order dated 11.12.1997. This petition was heard on 4.5.1998 and the Court reiterated its order dated 11.12.1997. The matter is still sub-judice.

महाराष्ट्र में केन्द्रीय विद्यालय

1118. **श्री सूर्यभान पाटील वहाडणे** : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) महाराष्ट्र में अन्य राज्यों की तुलना में जिला-वार तथा क्षेत्र-वार कितने-कितने केन्द्रीय विद्यालय खोले गए हैं;

(ख) क्या सरकार आदिवासी जिलों के लिये ऐसे और विद्यालय खोलने का विचार रखती है , और

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है, और ऐसी सुविधाएं किन-किन स्थानों पर तथा कब तक उपलब्ध कराये जाने की संभावना है?

मानव ससांधन विकास मंत्री (डा. मुरली मनोहर जोशी) : (क) महाराष्ट्र राज्य में कार्यरत 53 केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों का जिलावार ब्यौरा विवरण – । में दिया गया है (नीचे देखिए) । अन्य राज्यों में कार्यरत केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों की संख्या विवरण – ॥ में दी गई है । (नीचे देखिए)।

(ख) और (ग) : जी, नहीं । केन्द्रीय विद्यालय योजना का उद्देश्य मुख्यतः रक्षा सेवाओं तथा केन्द्रीय पुलिस संगठनों के कार्मिकों सहित केन्द्रीय सरकार के स्थानान्तरणीय कार्यचारियों के बच्चों की शैक्षिक आवश्यकताओं को पूरा करना है । केन्द्रीय विद्यालय उन स्थानों पर ही खोले जाते हैं जहां केन्द्रीय सरकार के कर्मचारियों का बाहुल्य होता है बशर्ते प्रायोजक एजेसियों द्वारा इसके लिए भौतिक सुविधाएं उपलब्ध कराई जाएं ।

विवरण – ।

महाराष्ट्र राज्य के केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों की जिलावार सूची

जिला अहमद नगर

12. अहमद नगर संख्या – ।.

13. अहमद नगर संख्या – ॥. (एम.आई.आर.सी.)

14. अहमद नगर संख्या – ॥।. (वी.आर.डी.ई.)

जिला ठाणे

15. अबंरनाथ संख्या – ।. (ओ.एफ.)

16. ठाणे (ए.एफ.एस.)

जिला औरंगाबाद

17. औरंगाबाद छावनी

जिला जलगांव

18. भुसावल संख्या ।. (ओ. एफ.)

19. भुसावल संख्या ॥. (रेलवे)

20. जलगांव (एम.एम.यू.)

21. मनमाद

22. वारांगांव (ओ.एफ.)

मुम्बई जिला

23. भांडुप

24. कोलाबा संख्या – ।.